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SUBJECT: CAMBODIAN AND VIETNAMESE FORMER DIPLOMATS IN JORDAN

REFS: STATE TELS 084161, 92890, 96189, 104017, 104940, 107901, 108703; AMMAN TELS 2621, 2622, 2637, 2738, 2847, 2861, 2968, 2976, 2979, 3212, A-53 AND A-56.

1. AMBASSADOR MORNING MAY 18 RECEIVED CALL FROM PRIME MINISTER RIFAI. RIFAI APOLOGIZED FOR RAISING SUBJECT ON PHONE BUT AFTER STUDY ON RETURN FROM HIS VISIT TO US AND FOLLOWING COMPLETION SADAT VISIT HERE YESTERDAY, HE HAD REACHED CONCLUSION THAT HE WOULD ASK US FOR HELP IN RAPIDLY REMOVING FORMER CAMBODIAN AND VIETNAMESE DIPLOMATS STILL IN JORDAN. HE SAID THAT HE DID NOT WANT TO PUT THEM "OUT OF THE DOOR", BUT HE REALLY HAD NO CHOICE NOW AND CIRCUMSTANCES REQUIRE THAT THEY LEAVE AS SOON AS POSSIBLE. HE ASKED WHETHER US WOULD TAKE THEM EITHER IN GUAM OR DIRECTLY.

2. I SAID THAT I COULD GIVE HIM NO ASSURANCES ON THE SUBJECT, BUT WOULD REPORT HIS REQUEST IMMEDIATELY TO WASHINGTON. HE REAFFIRMED THAT JORDANIAN DECISION

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WAS TO EXPELL THEM, BUT THAT JORDAN WOULD LIKE

TO DO IT IN AS HUMANE AND COOPERATIVE FASHION AS  
POSSIBLE CONSIDERING THE NEEDS OF THE FORMER  
DIPLOMATS AS INDIVIDUALS.

3. WE BELIEVE THIS DECISION IS IRREVOCABLE AND  
PROBABLY BASED NOT ONLY ON JORDANIAN FUTURE  
INTEREST IN POSSIBLE RELATIONS WITH COUNTRIES  
CONCERNED (GOJ HAS ALREADY SENT CABLE OF RECOGNITION  
TO KHMER ROUGE AUTHORITIES AND PERMITTED ALGERIANS  
TO TAKE OVER INTERESTS OF SOUTH VIETNAMESE), BUT  
ALSO BECAUSE FORMER DIPLOMATS HAVE NO POSSIBLE  
FUTURE IN JORDAN.

4. ACTION REQUESTED: IN VIEW OF FORMER DIPLOMATS'  
PENDING REQUEST FOR ASSISTANCE AT UNHCR AND BLEAK  
PRELIMINARY RESPONSE THERETO, REQUEST DEPARTMENT  
ADVICE SOONEST AS TO POSSIBLE US RECEPTION OF THESE  
REFUGEES GIVEN NATURE AND URGENCY OF PRIME MINISTER'S  
REQUEST TO AMBASSADOR.

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